

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace prior listings of claims in the application:

Listing of claims

Claim 1 (currently amended): An unmanned water surface vehicle comprising: a gondola housing section having bow and stern ends with external ~~lift and control~~ foils located midway between the bow and stern ends ,~~whereby said gondola housing may~~ to provide lift in water at sufficient speed, said gondola ~~including~~ housing section mounting a propulsion system at the stern end ,~~and~~; a superstructure hull located entirely above a waterline ,~~said superstructure hull includes a command and control system capable of remote control, a navigation system, a vehicle attitude control system, and a plurality of payloads and sensors;~~ and a strut connecting said gondola housing section and to said superstructure,~~wherein~~ hull completely above the waterline.
~~said strut includes at least one void for passage of a plurality of transmission lines.~~

Claim 2 (Cancelled).

Claim 3 (Cancelled).

Claim 4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (Cancelled).

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Claim 6 (Currently amended): An unmanned water surface vehicle as defined in claim 1, wherein said strut ~~includes~~ mounts a rudder above the stern end of the gondola housing section and the propulsion system.

Claim 7 (Cancelled).

Claim 8 (Cancelled).

Claim 9 (Cancelled).

Claim 10 (Cancelled).

Claim 11 (Cancelled).

Claim 12 (Cancelled).

Claim 13 (Currently amended): An unmanned water surface vehicle comprising:
a gondola housing having external ~~lift and control~~ foils, ~~adapted~~ spaced from a stern end thereof
to provide lift in water at sufficient speed, ~~said gondola housing includes~~ a propulsion system at
said stern end, ~~a payload compartment, at least one payload system deployable from said payload~~
~~compartment; and~~

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a superstructure hull housing adapted to float on the water at sub foil lifting speeds, ~~said~~
~~superstructure housing includes a power generation system, a command and control system, a~~
~~navigation system, a vehicle attitude control system, and a plurality of sensors; and~~
means for connecting said gondola housing and said superstructure housing hull; and a rudder
mounted on said connecting means above the propulsion system at the stern end.

Claim 14 (Cancelled).

Claim 15 (Cancelled).

Claim 16 (Currently amended): An unmanned water surface vehicle as defined in claim 13,
wherein said means for connecting said gondola housing and said superstructure hull comprises: a
faired strut.

Claim 17 (Cancelled).